

IN THE DRAWINGS:

A Replacement Sheet for Fig. 8 is enclosed. This Replacement Sheet adds the carrier ribbon 100. No new matter is added.

REMARKS

The drawing problem noted by the Examiner is corrected by the Replacement Sheet herein adding the carrier ribbon 100. The specification was amended to make reference to this carrier ribbon 100 at page 9 of the specification. There is no new matter in view of the claim disclosure and the specification disclosure of the applicator ribbon.

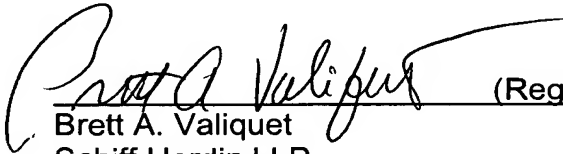
The specification objection noted by the Examiner has been avoided.

The Examiner indicated claims 4, 5, 7, 12-14, 17, 18, 23, and 28 as allowable if placed in independent form. This has been done. Also an antecedent basis has been provided in claims 18 and 28 relative to the air gap, and also it is noted that the carrier ribbon is provided as said carrier.

The remaining claims in the case have been cancelled.

The case is now allowable.

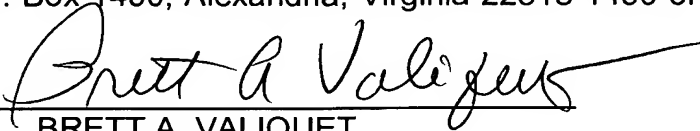
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